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Declaration, Petition and Power of Attorney for Patent Application

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

FUEL CELL SYSTEM AND PROCESS FOR CONTROLLING THE SAME
the specification of which

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is attached hereto.

X was filed on July 25, 2001 as

Application Serial No. 09/915,936

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I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

CLAIM OF BENEFIT OF EARLIER FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)

I hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) from which priority is claimed.

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no such applications have been filed.

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Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (month,day,year)	Priority Claimed Under 35 USC 119
Japan	2000-223194	July 25, 2000	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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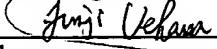
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Wherefore I petition that letters patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the attached specification and claims, and hereby subscribe my name to said specification and claims and to the foregoing declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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